

HERITAGE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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*"But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.
To Him be glory both now and for ever. Amen." II Peter 3:18*

SONG OF THE WEEK

The First Noel

*The first Noel the angel did say
Was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
In fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.*

*They looked up and saw a star
Shining in the east, beyond them far;
And to the earth it gave great light,
And so it continued both day and night.
Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel.*

HOT LUNCH

December 20 – Arby's

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Sara Byker, Pam, Kaitlin, and Courtney Bylsma, Leanne and Rachel Clossen

January 10 – Arrows

Workers: Please be at school by 11 AM – Lyndsey Corson, Michelle, Leanne, and Sarah DeBoer

Hot Lunch ordering IS OPEN and will stay open through Thursday, December 19 at midnight!
Here is the link to order: <https://heritagehotlunch.schoollunchchoice.com/index.php>

~ ~ CHRISTMAS COLLECTION ~ ~

THIS Friday is the final day to donate.

This year the collection will go to the Myanmar Mission. Myanmar, also called Burma, is a country located in the western portion of mainland Southeast Asia. The Hope PR Congregation oversees a mission in Myanmar. The saints there are currently worshipping under trying circumstances as there is unrest in the country. Please pray for them as they are not always certain of their ability to even hold worship services or remain in the area.

In a notable work of the mission, Rev. Titus has recently finished translating the KJV into Burmese. Having an accurate translation in the hands of the people of God serves as a very important basis of which to develop the truths of God's Word and properly preach the gospel to the saints elect in Christ Jesus for years to come. May the Word of God live forever in His elect people through the generations by His gracious and covenant faithfulness! For more information, please see the Hope PRC website: <https://hopeprchurch.org/outreach/#myanmar>

Christmas collection money can be turned in to either office or to individual classroom teachers any time before Dec. 20.

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 21 – January 4
Christmas Break

Week of January 13, 2025
Grades 3-8 MAP testing
(please avoid appointments)

January 17, 2025
Professional Development Day
(no school)

January 29-30
Parent Teacher Conferences

SPORTS SCHEDULES

All games begin at 4 PM unless
otherwise noted

8th Grade Girls Basketball

7th Grade Girls Basketball

SCHOOL NEWS

Christmas Break begins after the school day on Friday. It is our prayer that all the staff, students, and families of Heritage Christian School have a wonderful and restful Christmas Break, and that we all return refreshed and ready to continue the school year in January. We will see you back here at school on Monday, January 5, 2025, Lord willing.

Please see the announcement just under the hot lunch information about this year's Christmas collection. You have just TWO MORE DAYS to send your contributions in! Thank you!

This Friday, December 20 is RED and/or GREEN day here at Heritage. If your children would like to participate, deck them out in red and/or green in anticipation of two FULL WEEKS off from school!! Please remember that the clothing must adhere to school dress codes.

Fearfully Wonderfully Made Day will be on February 7th. We are starting to plan for this special day! If you are interested in volunteering here is the link to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0A4FA5AE2CAAFA7-54010751-fearfully>

There will be more information coming soon.

ONE more volunteer needed for the Heritage Restaurant Committee!

We are SO THANKFUL to have filled the health department position! We are in need of one more individual to fill the spot of the building committee member. This role entails coordinating and organizing any renovations in the buildings. Tasks such as refilling the propane tanks, certifying fire extinguishers, and organizing the winterization of the building fall to this member. We currently don't have large scale renovations on our to-do list, and there are month by month updated instructions to follow. This is a great time to step into the building committee member role. Please, prayerfully consider if you can serve Heritage in this capacity. It is a wonderful opportunity of fellowship and service. Reach out to Natalie VanOverloop with any interest or questions. 616-323-7738 *Your 2025 Fair Committee...Lisa VanTil, Hillary Lotterman, Sheila Griffioen, Amy Horvat, Natalie VanOverloop, Lindsay Schimmel, Alyssa Pastoor ; and Tara Koole and Beth VanSingel (Grandstands)*

Reminder to all 7th & 8th grade girls who plan to play basketball and all students who plan to play spring sports. The basketball season begins the 2nd week of January. MHSAA requires each student-athlete to have a valid sports physical on file with the school before they may participate in Middle School athletics. Please remember that the sports physical must be dated after APRIL 15, 2024. If your child had a regular physical in the past year you may bring a sports physical form to your doctor's office and they will fill it out for you. We have copies

of the sports physical form in the school office or you can print one from mhsaa.com. Please turn this in to the office BEFORE the season starts.

A ski trip to Caberfae is being planned for Friday January 17, 2025..

- If you would like to come, please fill out this form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/168OqsL0f3aAtn1KB5pl_gVwIosLtSctvhLQGkIfLafY/edit
- **AND this form (this form needs to have a signature for EACH PERSON who is skiing):** <https://my.1risk.net/1waiverKioskv2/sign?a=aHR0cHM6Ly9teS4xcmlzay5uZXQvY2FiZXJmYWVhcG18NDMxZTc1MjQ0Zjk4NDNjY2JhZThlNGQzOWY3NGI3YzN8NmMyMzY1MWYtODY3NC00ZWE2LWIwNTEtNTI2YTBlbjY2NmIzZfDExLzYvMjAyNCxMjowMDowMCBOTXwxLzE3LzIwMjUgMTE6MDA6MDAgQU18R00>
- If you wish to rent skis/snowboard, please fill out this form **for each person who is in need of rentals:** https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CGaJQE6UCnDjqt_19i8Z_81PVY-s8AXtKVX4WSuGhd0/edit
- Tickets are \$30 (includes rental) and are good from 10am-5pm . **Payment:** you can pay Katie Kooienga via check, cash or venmo @Katie-Kooienga. DEADLINE to sign up AND pay is January 10, 2025 at midnight. If you have any questions please contact Katie Kooienga at 616-536-1409 or rkkooienga@live.com

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Voices of Victory will present a concert on December 31 at 7 PM. The Choral Ambassadors Octet will be also be joining us. The concert will be held at Zion Reformed Church in Grandville, MI – 4457 36th St SW, Grandville, MI 49418. You are invited to come and go as you please any time throughout the night. A free will offering will be taken for Harmony Communities. Coffee and cookies will be provided.

The PRSO will present a concert at St. Cecelia on Saturday, January 4, at 6:00 PM. Add it to your calendars!

Hudsonville Little League 2025 Spring Registrations are Open! Visit www.HudsonvilleLittleLeague.com for more information All Heritage Christian students are eligible to play in HLL.